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C O N F I D E N T I A L DACCA 1858

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, SHUM, BG
SUBJECT: MORE POLITICAL PRISONERS RELEASED ON BANGLADESH
INDEPENDENCE DAY

REFS: A. DACCA 0925; B. DACCA 1174

1. TO MARK THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY MARCH 26 OF BANGLADESH INDEPENDENCE, THE BDG ANNOUNCED THE RELEASE OF 637 PRISONERS, OF WHOM 336 WERE CLASSIFIED BY THE BDG AS POLITICAL DETENUES. THIRTEEN WERE IDENTIFIED BY NAME AND TWO APPEAR TO HAVE SOME NATIONAL STATURE: BIDHAN KRISHNA SEN, A JSD LEADER ARRESTED IN AUGUST 1976; AND TIPU BISWAS (REAL NAME AMINAL HUQ) A LEADER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF EAST BENGAL ARRESTED IN 1973. (IT MUST BE NOTED THAT THERE ARE MANY DUPLICATIONS AMONG BENJALI NAMES, MAKING IT DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS.)

2. COMMENT: IF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF POLITICAL DETAINEES GIVEN BY THE DG FOR NATIONAL SECURITY INTELLIGENCE (REF A) AND THE DEPUTY ADVISOR FOR HOME AFFAIRS (REF B) ARE REASONABLY ACCURATE (THE FIGURES DIFFER BY ABOUT 200), THE
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TOTAL OF BANGLADESH POLITICAL PRISONERS NOW IS LESS THAN 1,000. ADDITIONALLY, FROM TIME TO TIME OTHER POLITICAL DETENUES ARE RELEASED BY COURT ORDER; THE MOST NOTABLE TO DATE BEING ABDUR RAZZAK OF THE AWAMI LEAGUE.
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